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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In re the Application of:	
Jack Schwartz Shoes, Inc.	
Application Serial No. 76/306,296	BOX TTAB NO FEE
Filed: August 29, 2001	NOTEE
Mark: L & Design	
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Toyota Jidosha Kabushiki Kaisha, t/a Toyota Motor Corporation, Opposer	) ) ) )
v.	) Opposition No.:
JACK SCHWARTZ SHOES, INC.,	) Mark: v. L & Design
Applicant	) )

The Trademark Trial and Appeal Board 2900 Crystal Drive Arlington, VA 22202-3514

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## **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

Toyota Jidosha Kabushiki Kaisha, t/a Toyota Motor Corporation, believes it will be damaged by the registration of the mark identified above and hereby opposes the registration of the mark.

As grounds of Opposition, Toyota alleges:

- 1. Toyota Jidosha Kabushiki Kaisha, t/a Toyota Motor Corporation, is a corporation of Japan located at 1, Toyota –cho, Toyota-shi, Aichi-ken, Japan 471-8571.
- 2. Jack Schwartz Shoes, Inc. is a corporation of the State of New York, located at 155 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10013.
- 3. Since prior to the earliest date that can be asserted by Jack Schwartz Shoes, Inc., Toyota has used a Design of L in oval as a trademark and service mark to identify its automotive vehicles and services related thereto.
- 4. Toyota is the owner of Registration No. 1,834,147, issued May 3, 1994, for the trademark L & Oval Design LEXUS, which registration includes, among other goods, articles of clothing and sportswear in Class 25.
- 5. On August 29, 2001, Jack Schwartz Shoes, Inc. filed Application Serial No. 76/306,296 to register as a trademark L & Circle Design for clothing, namely t-shirts, sweat shirts, shorts, jackets, pants, swim suits, tops, belts, tank tops, warm-ups suits, headbands, hats, and footwear. The Application was filed on the basis of a bona fide intention to use the mark.
- 6. The mark of Serial No. 76/306,296 is confusingly similar to the L & Oval Design mark of Toyota, which is used separately on its vehicles and which is a distinctive component of the mark registered under Registration No. 1,834,147.
- 7. The goods identified in Serial No. 76/306,296 are in part identical with, and in part closely related to, the articles of clothing and sportswear in Class 25 identified in Toyota's Registration No. 1,834,147.
- 8. The goods identified in Application Serial No. 76/306,296 are in part identical with, and in part closely related to, goods on which Toyota, through licensees, has continuously

used the L in Oval Design mark apart from the trademark LEXUS since prior to the filing date of Application Serial No. 76/306,296.

- 9. The use and registration of the mark identified in Application Serial No. 76/306,296 is likely to cause confusion, deception, or mistake by virtue of its resemblance to Toyota's previously used and registered mark for the same and closely related goods.
- 10. The registration of the mark identified in Application Serial No. 76/306,296 would be in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d) and in derogation of Toyota's rights in its L & Design mark.

WHEREFORE, TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA, t/a Toyota Motor Corporation, respectfully requests that this opposition be sustained and that registration be refused on Application Serial No. 76/306,296.

Respectfully submitted,

Toyota Jidosha Kabushiki Kaisha, t/a Toyota Motor Corporation

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Matter: Toyota Jidosha Kabushiki Kaisha, t/a Toyota Motor Corporation

v. JACK SCHWARTZ SHOES, INC.

Opposition Against Appln. Serial No.: 76/306,296

Class(es): 25

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Dear Commissioner:

We enclose the following for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

☑ Notice of Opposition to Serial No. 76/306,296

Also enclosed is our check for the required filing fee in the amount of \$300.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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